

PRIMERS FOR USE IN DETECTING BETA-LACTAMASES

Abstract

Oligonucleotide primers are provided that are specific for nucleic acid characteristic of certain beta-lactamases. The primers can be employed in methods to identify nucleic acid characteristic of family-specific beta-lactamase enzymes in samples, and particularly, in clinical isolates of Gram-negative bacteria.

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